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### MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Command Policy Memorandum - Nonstandard Ammunition Storage

### 1. References:

- a. <u>AR 385-10</u>, The Army Safety Program, Rapid Action Revision Issue Date: 4 October 2011, 23 August 2007.
  - b. DA PAM 385-64, Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards, 24 May 2011.
  - c. AMC-R 385-100, Safety Manual, 26 September 1995.
  - d. AR 73-1, Test and Evaluation Policy, 1 August 2006.
- e. <u>Ammunition Information Notice (AIN) 046-13</u>, Nonstandard Ammunition and Explosives, 25 February 2013.
- 2. The purpose of this policy is to establish requirements for the proper storage of nonstandard ammunition.
- 3. This policy memorandum applies to all U.S. Army Materiel Command's (AMC), Life Cycle Management Commands, Major Subordinate Commands, Separate Reporting Activities, Laboratories, and Direct Reporting Installations.
- 4. Nonstandard ammunition is defined as munitions and/or energetic materials that do not have a standard National Stock Number (NSN), or not available for procurement through the defense supply system.
- 5. Within AMC, a system of centralized control over the requisition, retention, identification, use, inventory, and return/disposal of all nonstandard ammunition is mandatory in order to ensure accountability, safety, environmental, and security requirements are satisfied at all times. Storage and demilitarization charges will be reimbursable by the acquiring command/agency.
- a. Storage of nonstandard ammunition shall be kept to the minimum in support of approved and funded programs, as well as in support of research and development activities.

- b. Nonstandard ammunition to be held in inactive long-term storage in excess of 2 years will be stored at a depot, unless a justified request is forwarded through command channels and approval is granted by the U.S. Army Sustainment Command (ASC). Nonstandard ammunition currently in long-term storage for greater than 2 years at an Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) will have a year from the date of this memorandum to alleviate this situation.
- c. Nonstandard ammunition/propellant received with valid stabilizer test data results within the 2 years prior to receipt will be accepted for a period not to exceed 2 years from the last test date, or the date of manufacture.
- d. Nonstandard ammunition not in compliance with this policy within 60 days of receipt will be scheduled for disposal or retrograded to a depot in accordance with applicable regulations. Funding will be provided by the material developer IAW reference d. In situations where the material developer cannot be determined, the storing activity is responsible for obtaining funding.
- 6. Prior to storage of nonstandard ammunition, the following will be accomplished:
- a. All nonstandard ammunition requires a Department of Defense, Hazard Division (HD) and Compatibility Group (CG) assignment. Nonstandard ammunition without HD and CG will be stored as HD 1.1 and CG L. Small arms items (50 caliber and below, in which the projectile does not contain energetic other than tracer material) will be stored as HD 1.4, CG G. Storage of nonstandard ammunition that requires CG L occupies valuable excessive storage space at ASPs and such storage is discouraged.
- b. A valid NSN that is listed in Federal Logistics Data will be utilized when available. An Army Enterprise Systems Integration Program (AESIP) manufacturer part number/cage code will be generated from the AESIP portal if there is not an NSN available. Utilization of the AESIP portal is paramount in the cataloging phase of nonstandard ammunition. Organizations may use the All Army Activity and the current Ammunition Information Notice for accessing the AESIP portal and for cataloging nonstandard ammunition. Material Safety Data Sheets, serviceability inspection criteria, and other documents needed to safely store, ship, and protect personnel from the hazards of the nonstandard munitions, will be provided to the ASP prior to requesting storage. This includes the test item Storage Safety Data Sheet/Global Harmonized System and the guidelines set forth in AMC-R 385-100.
- c. Life cycle management plans, to include the Interim Hazard Classification (IHC) shipment or disposal of unused nonstandard munitions, must be available to the National Inventory Control Point prior to storage. It is the responsibility of the organization turning in any nonstandard ammunition and/or ammunition components that have been modified as the result of tests or experimentation, to provide funds for the proper IHC if a current IHC has not been previously obtained, as well as providing the ASP with complete disposition instructions.
  - d. Emergency destruction procedures must be included within the acquisition plan.

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- 7. The ASC is tasked to establish a joint implementation strategy with the U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command and the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Center and back brief AMC on implementation plans in order to reach policy goals.
- 8. The point of contact for this policy memorandum is the G-3/4, Ammunition and Chemical Division at (256) 450-8295 or DSN 320-8295.

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